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Dated 13-2-53.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

ABSTRACT

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Read :-

From the Chief Engineer (Town Planning) No.2811/52 P3 d/2-8-52
From the Chief Engineer (General) No. 118G/52-1 d/25-8-52
From the Chief Engineer (Highways) No.37765 D3-52/HR d/8-10-52.
From the Chief Engineer(Electrical) No.10942 G/52-8 d/24-11-52.
From the Chief Engineer (I) No. No.2284/52-A1 dated 27-11-52.

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O R D E R:

According to the instructions in para 154 of the Madras Public Works Department Code, tenders for execution of the works should be invited by advertisement in the Government Gazettes or in the local news papers or by notices in English or in the regional languages, posted in public places. It has not been clarified when advertisement in news papers should be resorted to and when publicity through notices posted in prominent places will do. It has now been suggested that it should be laid down through works costing more than a certain amount should be advertised in the local news papers. The suggestion has been carefully examined in consultation with the Chief Engineers and the Government direct that works costing more than Rupees one lakh should be advertised in the local new s papers for the purpose of inviting tenders.

2. In accordance with the orders in para I above, the following amendment to the M.P.W.D. Code is issued issued:-

AMENDMENT.

"Insert the following as Note 2 under para 154 of the Public Works Code the existing Notes 2,3,4 and 5 being renumbered as 3,4, 5, and 5b:-

"Note 2:- Notices calling for Tenders should invariably be published in prominent local News Papers in respect of all works costing over Rs. 1,00,000/-."

3. The Chief Engineer (Electrical) is requested to submit draft amendment to the M.E.D. Manual.

4. Necessary amendment to the Madras Financial Code, Volume I, will issue separately from the Finance Department.

(By Order of the Governor)

T.M.S. MANI,
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from the finance Department.

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SUPERINTENDENT.

According to the instructions in para 154 of the ~~advertisement in~~ the public works Department Code, tenders should be invited by advertisement in the Government Gazettes or local news papers or by notices in English or the vernacular posted in public places. No criterion has been laid down that works costing more than a certain amount should be advertised in the news papers and the departmental officers use their discretion in the matter. It has now been considered desirable to lay down such a criterion and the Chief Engineers have been requested to suggest a suitable monetary limit for the purpose and also to suggest the necessary amendment to para 154 of the Public Works Department. Code.

2. The remarks of the Chief Engineers are summarised below:-

(i) The Chief Engineer (Town Planning) has stated that, under the present conditions and unstable rates for mater materials and labour, works costing less than Rs 5 lakhs do not attract contractors from outside, and that it will, therefo be enough if only works costing more than Rs. 5 lakhs are advertised in the news papers.

(ii) The Chief Engineer (General) has suggested in consultation with the Chief Engineer (Buildings) and the Chief Engineer (Public Health) that the minimum monetary limit above which notices inviting tenders for works should be published in the news papers may be fixed at Rs. 1 lakh. He has also suggested a suitable amendment to the Madras Public Works Department Code.

(iii) The Chief Engineer (Highways), Chief Enginee (Electricity) and the Chief Engineer (Irrigation) have suggeste that the monetary limit may be fixed at Rs. 1 lakh, Rs. 50,000 and Rs. 2 lakhs respectively. The Chief Engineer (1) has also suggested a suitable amendement to the Madras Public Works Department Code.

3. As the limit of Rs. 1 lakh has been accepted by most of the Chief Engineers., viz., Chief Engineer (Highways) Chief Engineer(General), Chief Engineer (Buildings) and Chief Engineer (Public Health), this Department have proposed that the monetary limit above which notices inviting tenders for Works should be published in the local news papers may be fixed at Rs. 1 lakh. The Finance Department have agreed to the proposal at 'A' above. A draft order is submitted submitted.

4. The case may be circulated to M. (Public Works).

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